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Air Force Safety Center Ground Mishap Summary

101 Critical Days of Summer 2001

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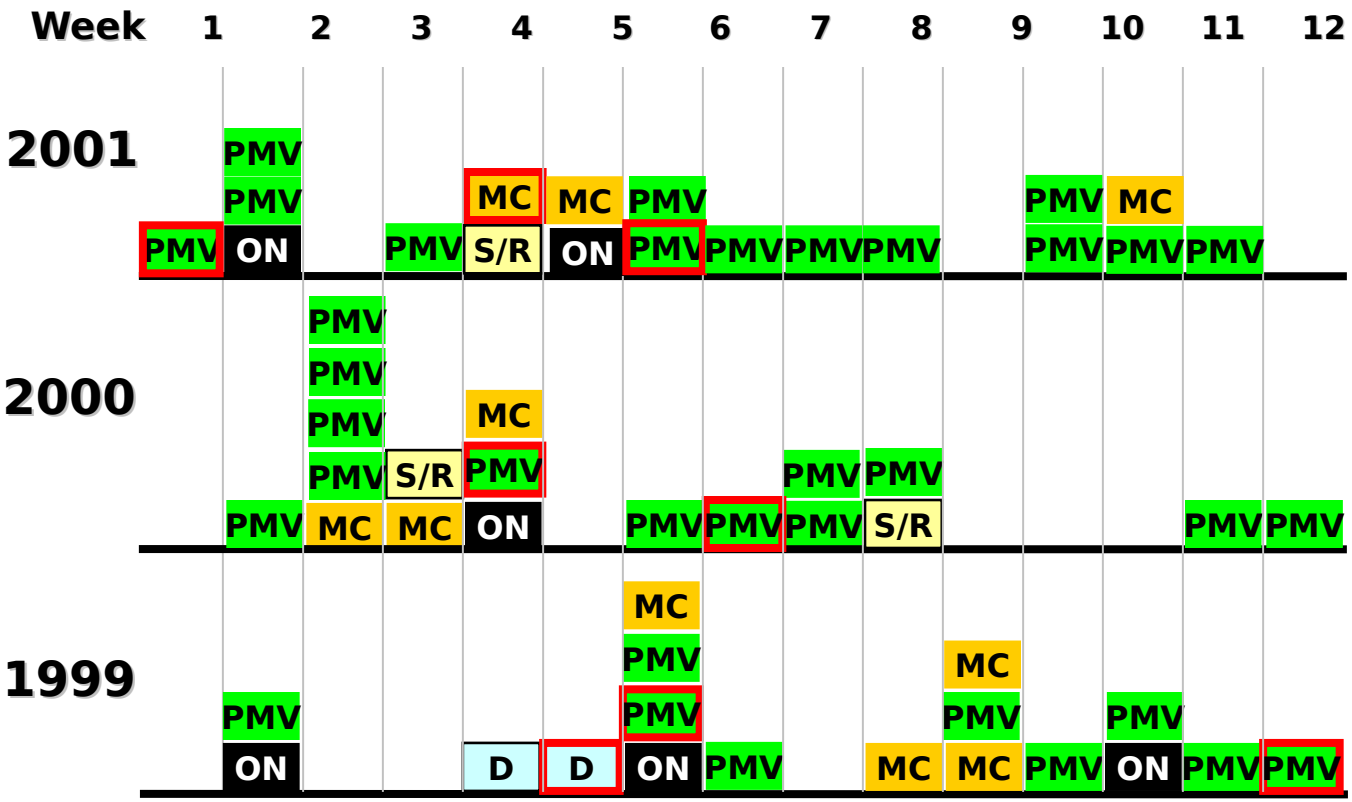
AIR FORCE GROUND FATALITIES
101 CRITICAL DAYS SUMMARY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Total Fatals

Through Week 15	Total For Year
19	59

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Through Week 15	Total For Year
19	56

Total Fatals

Through Week 15	Total For Year
18	52

On-Duty: ON

Off-Duty: Vehicle PMV | Motorcycl MC | Sports/Re S/R | Drownin D | Misc. | Alcoho

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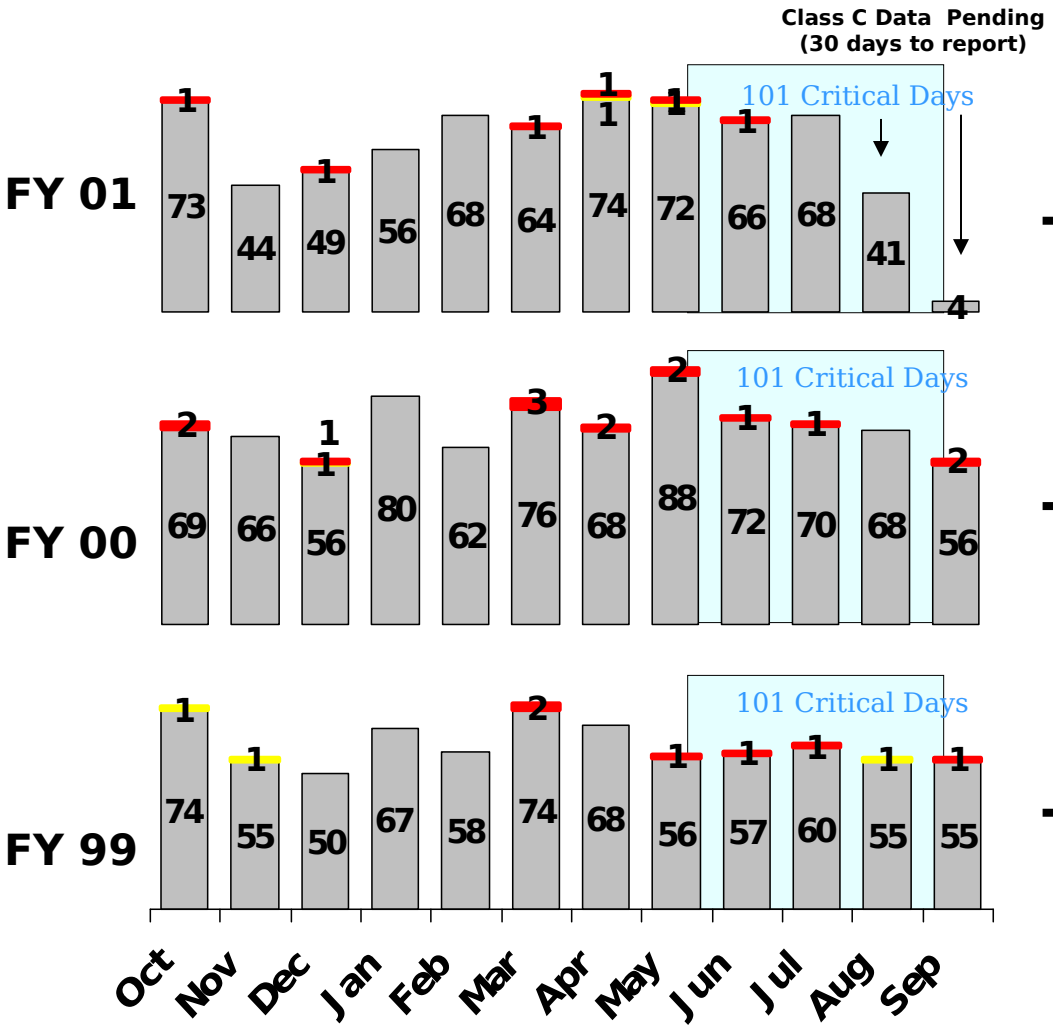
Class A, B, & C Off-Duty Sports and Recreation

Ground Mishaps



101 Critical Days

A B = 1 of 8 (12.5%)
C = Pending

A B = 2 of 15 (13.3%)
C = 234 of 831 (28.2%)

A B = 4 of 9 (44.4%)
C = 182 of 729 (25%)

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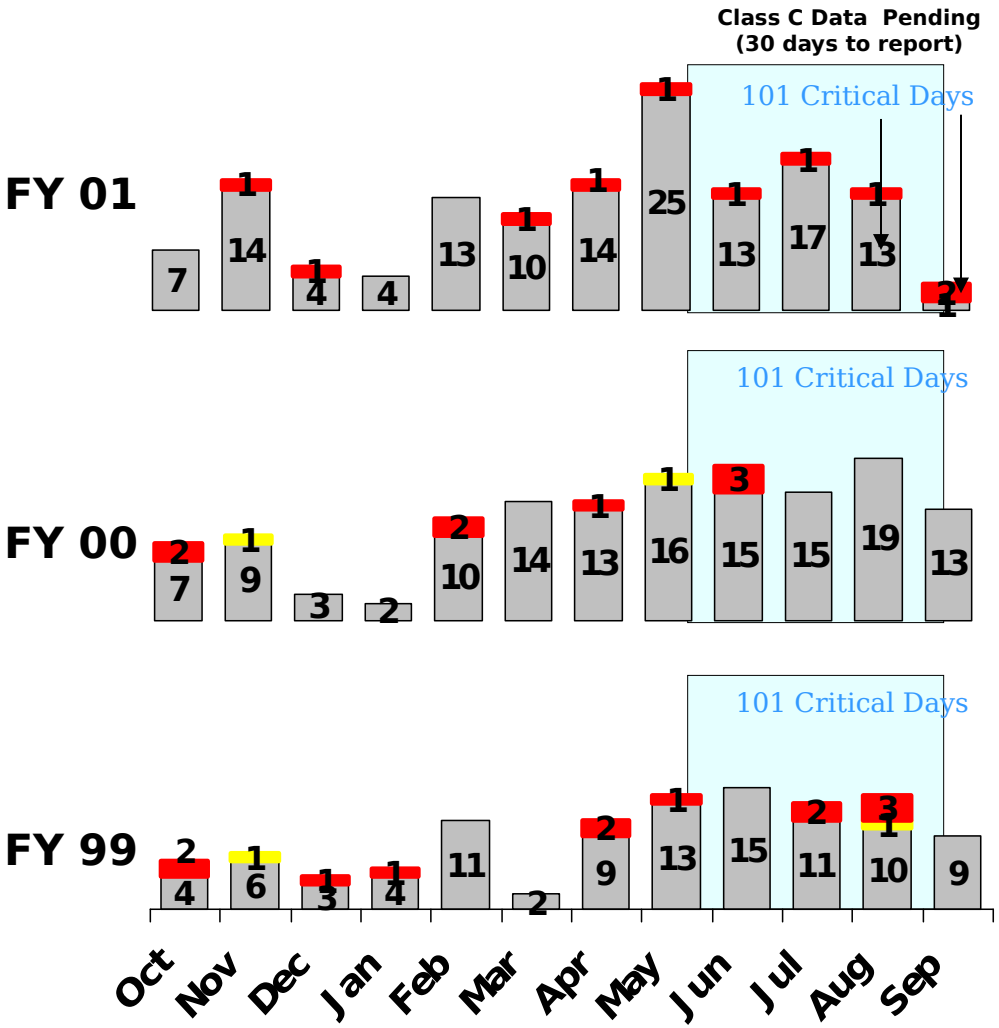
Class A, B, & C Off-Duty Ground Motorcycle (Traffic)

Off-duty Mishaps



101 Critical Days (27.7% of Year)

A B = 3 of 10 (30%)
C = Pending

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C = 55 of 136 (40.4%)

A B = 6 of 14 (42.9%)
C = 41 of 97 (42.3%)

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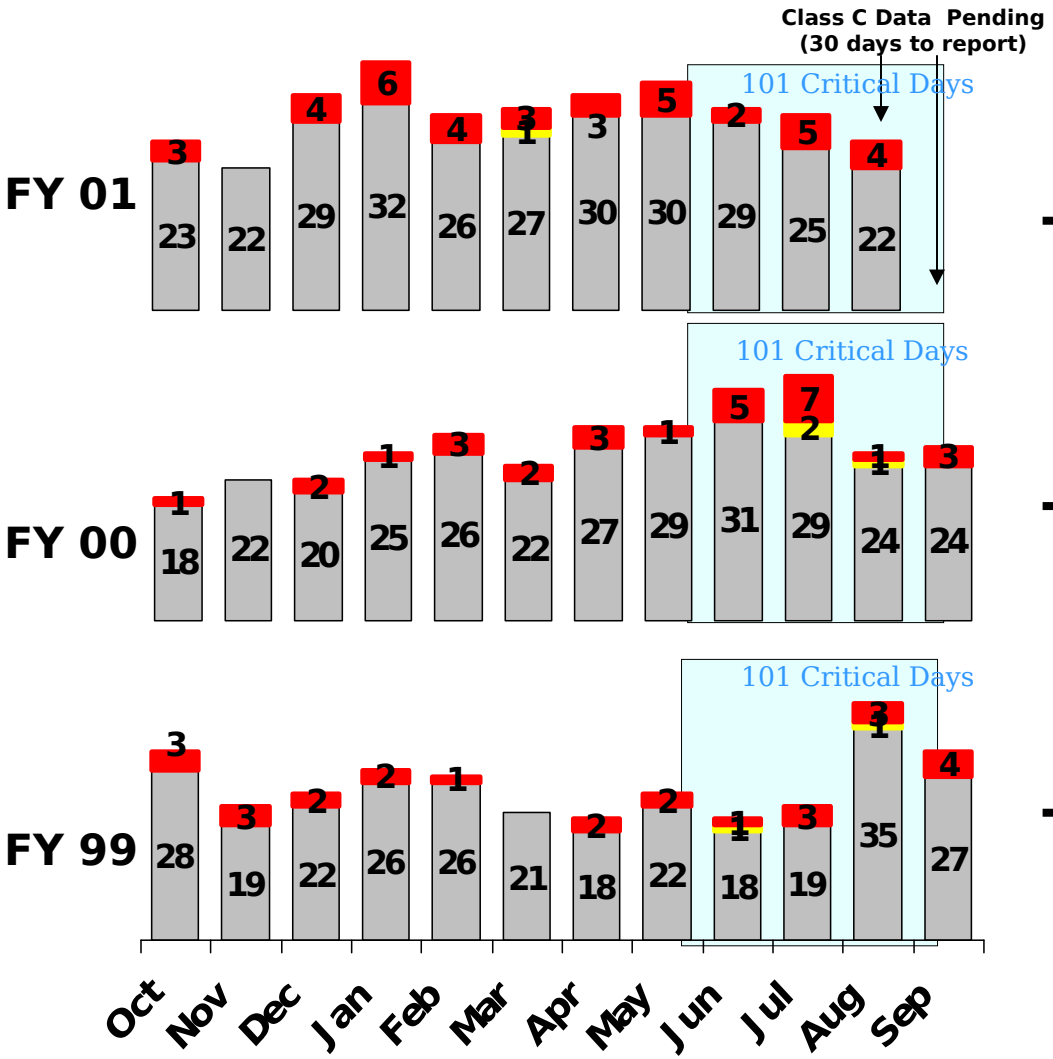
Class A, B, & C Off-Duty Motor Vehicle

Off-duty - Not Motorcycle



101 Critical Days

(27.7% of Year)

A B = 12 of 40 (30%)

C = Pending

A B = 17 of 32 (53%)

C = 55 of 297 (18.5%)

A B = 10 of 28 (35.7%)

C = 83 of 281 (29.5%)

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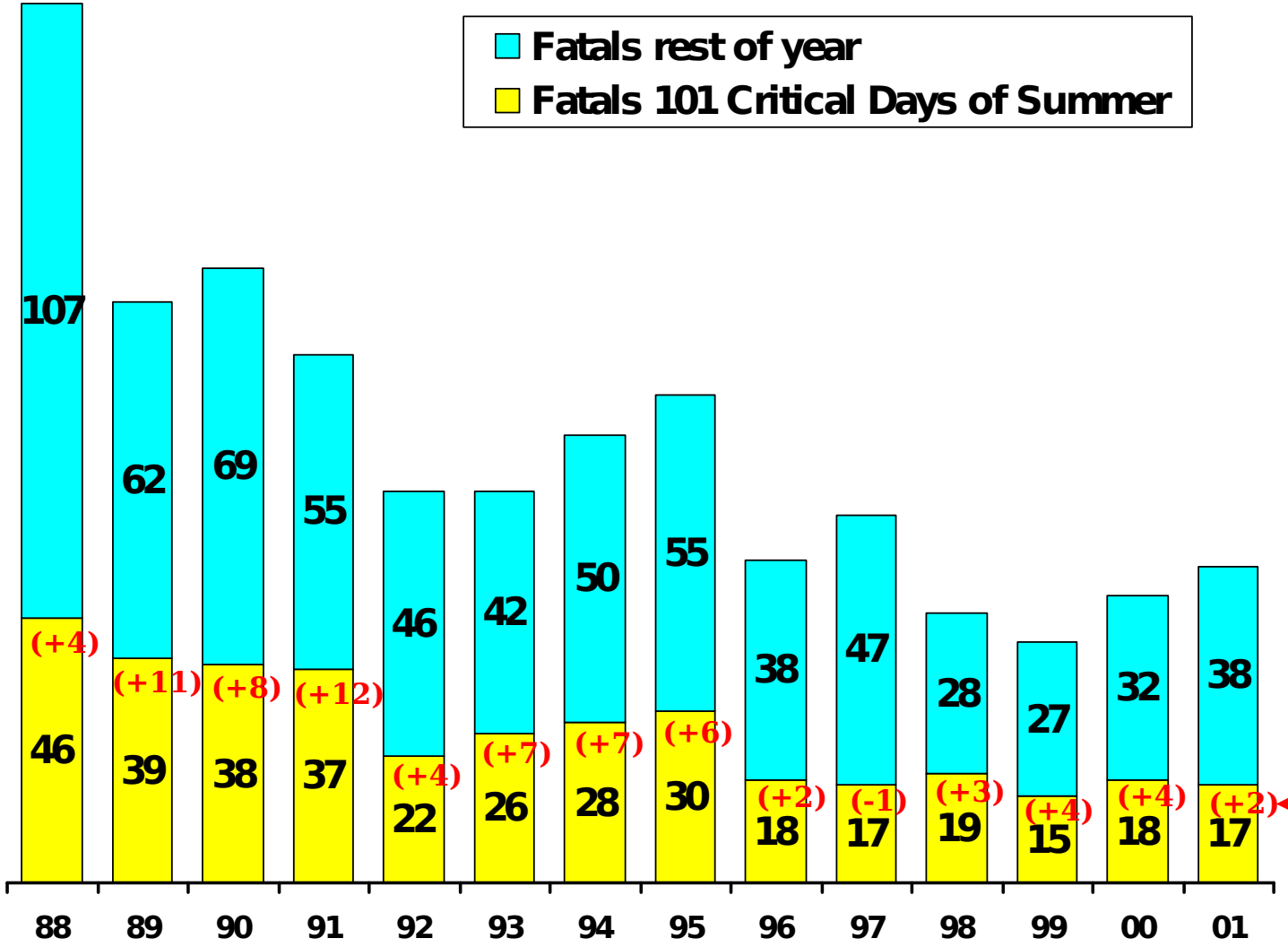
Active Off-Duty Deaths Ground Mishaps



(Deaths above 27.7%)

101 Days is 27.7% of Year

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Ground Off-Duty Fatals Evaluated by Month

Each Fiscal Year Divided by Monthly Ranking
(Numbers show most fatals = Rank 1 to least fatals =Rank 12)

	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP
01	11	12	4	3	8	6	9	1	5	2	7	10
00	4	12	8	11	5	7	2	9	1	3	10	6
99	3	7	8	9	11	12	4	6	10	1	2	5
98	8	11	12	7	10	6	3	2	5	9	1	4
97	2	3	9	12	7	6	8	10	4	11	5	1
96	7	2	8	12	9	11	3	4	1	10	5	6
95	7	12	3	6	9	10	4	11	1	5	8	2
94	4	5	8	3	2	12	9	10	1	7	6	11
93	4	3	11	12	9	7	6	8	1	2	5	10
92	9	1	11	12	10	8	5	7	3	6	2	4
91	10	8	2	11	6	9	12	3	7	1	5	4
90	12	2	6	10	8	4	7	9	1	3	5	11
89	8	6	4	12	9	11	7	10	5	3	2	1
88	4	9	1	6	5	12	7	10	8	2	11	3
Overall Ranking	7	6	8	12	10	11	5	9	1	2	4	3

101 Critical Days

Notable Trends

- Apr/May higher % of fatals than in previous years

- Jun/Jul continue longstanding lead in fatal mishaps

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AIR FORCE GROUND FATALITIES
FY2001 Summary

OFF/ON	DATE	MAJCOM	TYPE	RANK	SAS#	ONE-LINER
1.	17 Oct 00	AFSPC	PMV-4	Capt	73414	Passenger in SUV struck head-on by wrong way driver on interstate - seat belt/yes
2.	22 Oct 00	AMC	PMV-4	A1C	73458	Operator struck by vehicle from opposite direction -side impact - seat belt/yes
3.	28 Oct 00	AFSPC	PMV-4	SrA	73539	Operator slid on icy road and struck sideways by oncoming traffic - seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
1.	*10 Nov 00*	*ACC*	*IND*	*MSgt*	*73867*	*Member electrocuted while working on the runway remaining distance marker lights*
4.	26 Nov 00	ACC	PMV-2	A1C	73965	Operator failed to maneuver through a curve and struck a guardrail - helmet/yes
5.	06 Dec 00	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	74073	Passenger in PMV fatal after operator lost control in corner - seat belt/no
6.	13 Dec 00	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	74182	Operator lost control in a turn (65 mph) and struck a tree - seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
7.	22 Dec 00	AETC	PMV-2	TSgt	74288	Motorcycle operator towing a large trailer flipped over on off ramp - helmet/yes
8.	24 Dec 00	USAF	S&R	A1C	74276	ATV flipped onto member causing asphyxia - helmet/no - alcohol/yes
9.	26 Dec 00	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	74294	Operator lost control on icy road, slid into oncoming traffic, tore vehicle in half - seatbelt/yes
10.	30 Dec 00	AETC	PMV-4	AB	74322	Passenger fatal after vehicle side swiped and ran into retaining wall - seat belt/no - alcohol/yes
11.	5 Jan 01	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	74381	Operator lost control and rolled multiple times -suffered head injury - seat belt/yes
12.	11 Jan 01	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	74431	Operator struck median curb, lost control and rolled vehicle, ejected - seat belt/no
13.	20 Jan 01	AFRC	Ped	SSgt	74576	Pedestrian at accident scene struck by approaching possible drunk driver
14.	20 Jan 01	ACC	PMV-4	SrA	74538	Operator lost control on wet road, vehicle rolled, he was ejected, seat belt/no
15	25 Jan 01	ANG	PMV-4	MSgt	74627	Operator was observed swerving off the road, through a fence into a lake
16	27 Jan 01	USAFE	PMV-4	TSgt	74637	Operator's vehicle blew tire, went down embankment into water channel - drowned
17	12 Feb 01	ACC	PMV-4	SSgt	74912	Operator was struck head-on by a civilian who was eluding arrest - seat belt/yes
18.	18 Feb 01	PAF	PMV-4	SSgt	74953	Passenger in vehicle struck by opposing traffic at high speed - seat belt/yes
19.	18 Feb 01	AMC	PMV-4	TSgt	74962	Operator left roadway, re-entered roadway, rolled vehicle - seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
20.	22 Feb 01	AMC	PMV-4	MSgt	74997	Operator struck jackknifed tractor trailer on icy roads - seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
21.	3 Mar 01	AETC	PMV-2	MSgt	75156	Operator lost control in right turn, ejected over wall into 30ft creek bed - helmet/yes
22.	15 Mar 01	ACC	PMV-4	SSgt	75331	Passenger fatal when operator distracted in vehicle and struck traffic head-on - seat belt/yes
23.	20 Mar 01	AMC	PMV-4	SrA	75396	Operator lost control in corner and rolled pick-up - head injuries - seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
24.	21 Mar 01	AETC	S&R	Capt	75413	Skier lost control at bottom of run and struck tree
25.	31 Mar 01	USAFE	Ped	TSgt	75543	Member walking home from night club and struck by a vehicle - dark clothing - alcohol/yes
26.	1 Apr 01	USAFA	PMV-4	Cadet	75523	Passenger fatal head injuries when operator fell asleep and rolled vehicle - seat belt/yes
27.	1 Apr 01	AMC	MISC	SrA	75546	Member handling weapon and it accidentally discharged into head
2.	*7 Apr 01*	*ANG*	*IND*	*SSgt*	*75852*	*Member collapsed with heart failure while participating in fitness training*
28.	14 Apr 01	PACAF	PMV-4	SSgt	75749	Member lost control of his vehicle and was T-boned by on-coming vehicle - seat belt/yes
29.	22 Apr 01	AETC	Ped	MSgt	75829	Member was walking across a street when she was struck by a vehicle - dark clothing
30.	4 May 01	AETC	PMV-2	A1C	76018	Operator was stopped at light and struck by vehicle - helmet/yes
31.	8 May 01	AFSOC	PMV-4	AMN	76014	Returning from leave, single vehicle accident at night
32.	10 May 01	ACC	PMV-4	MSgt	76048	Operator lost control on the military installation and struck a tree (seizure)
33.	11 May 01	AFSPC	PMV-4	MSgt	76054	Operator lost control on interstate traveling PCS, rolled vehicle, ejected, seat belt/no
34.	15 May 01	AFSOC	PMV-4	A1C	76083	Passenger fatal when operator lost control on local roadway near base
35.	19 May 01	AETC	S&R	2LT	76133	Water skier fell, boat throttle stuck while returning to pick him up and ran him over

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FY2001 Summary Cont.

OFF / ON	DATE	MAJCOM	TYPE	RANK	SAS#	ONE-LINER
START 101 CRITICAL DAYS						
36.	27 May 01	AMC	PMV-4	SSgt	76233	Operator lost control of 1981 Datsun pick-up and hit tree, seat belt/yes - alcohol/yes
3.	*1 Jun 01*	*ACC*	*GVO*	*A1C*	*76304*	*Passenger in M-Series 5-Ton truck fatal when operator lost control on dirt road,* seat belt/no
37.	2 Jun 01	AETC	PMV-4	A1C	76305	Operator fatal when vehicle blew tire, hit guardrail/concrete structure, caught fire, seat belt worn
38.	2 Jun 01	AETC	PMV-4	AB	76305	Passenger fatal when vehicle blew tire, hit guardrail/concrete structure, caught fire, seat belt worn
39.	18 Jun 01	AMC	PMV-4	TSgt	76538	Operator bypassed stopped vehicle and railroad crossing arms (down) and was struck by train
40.	23 Jun 01	AFMC	S&R	A1C	76628	Member fell while rock climbing
41.	24 Jun 01	AFSPC	PMV-2	SrA	76620	Member & civilian passenger involved in single vehicle motorcycle mishap, helmet worn - alcohol/yes
4.	*27 Jun 01*	*PACAF*	*IND*	*A1C*	*76675*	*Member was part of a outdoor clean-up detail, he attempted to swim across a lake and drowned*
42.	3 Jul 01	ACC	PMV-2	TSgt	76745	Operator lost control of motorcycle in corner of paved mountain road, hit guardrail - Helmet worn
43.	6 Jul 01	ACC	PMV-4	SSgt	76776	Operator entered interstate in wrong direction, struck Jersey barrier seat belt/no alcohol/yes
44.	7 Jul 01	ACC	PMV-4	A1C	76806	Operator was struck head-on by civilian that crossed center turn lane seat belt/no
45.	15 Jul 01	AMC	PMV-4	A1C	76863	Operator on interstate (0540 hrs) drifted into Jersey barrier wall, vehicle flipped
46.	25 Jul 01	AFSPC	PMV-4	A1C	77000	Operator may have fallen asleep which resulted in him running head-on into a semi-truck
47.	28 Jul 01	ACC	PMV-4	A1C	77048	Passenger died when civilian operator crossed centerline and hit vehicle head-on
48.	11 Aug 01	AMC	PMV-4	A1C	77213	Passenger died when operator fell asleep at wheel and vehicle rolled
49.	13 Aug 01	AFSPC	PMV-4	A1C	77230	Operator fatal when on-coming vehicle crossed centerline hitting head-on
50.	18 Aug 01	ACC	PMV-4	A1C	77305	Operator was struck by non-AF driver who lost control and crossed median
51.	18 Aug 01	PACAF	PMV-2	SSgt	77297	Operator lost control and struck median when exiting highway in Turkey (deployed AEF5)
52.	25 Aug 01	AF	PMV-4	SrA	77386	Member was occupant in single vehicle crash while on terminal leave in IL
END 101 CRITICAL DAYS						
53.	17 Sep 01	ANG	PMV-2	TSgt		Member was struck head-on by vehicle that swerved after being struck by bicycle rider
54.	22 Sep 01	AFMC	PMV-2	TSgt		Member was passing on center-line when he struck semi-truck and was run over
55.	23 Sep 01	ACC	MISC	SSgt		Member fell down stairs to basement at home and struck head on concrete floor
END OF FISCAL YEAR 2001						

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date: 25 Aug 01, 0453 hrs

Status: Off-duty (Terminal Leave)

Location: Route 2, Rock Island County, Illinois

Assigned to: Air Force at Large (Formerly 27 FS, 1 FW, ACC)

Rank(s): SrA

Alcohol Involved?: Pending

Narrative: Member was on terminal leave in Ft Byron IL. At 0453 hrs he was with two other non-AF civilians in a private motor vehicle. The vehicle was traveling on Rt 2 in Rock Island County. It is unknown at this time whether he was the operator or a passenger. The circumstances of the single vehicle crash are unknown at this time.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date:	18 Aug 01, 2330 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	50 Miles West of Incirlik AB, Turkey
Assigned to:	(AEF5)13 FS, 35 FW, Misawa ABS JA, PACAF
Rank(s):	SSgt
Alcohol Involved?:	Not tested
Narrative:	Member was riding a motorcycle on a six lane divided highway. Initial information indicates he was existing the highway, struck a median, and was thrown from the motorcycle. Personal protective equipment was used but the individual suffered fatal injuries to the head and body. The SSgt had attended the MSF Riding and Street Skills course on 30 Jun 00 at Misawa ABS.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date:	18 Aug 01, 2130 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	2.5 miles East of Shaw AFB
Assigned to:	20 SUPS, 20 FW, Shaw AFB SC, ACC
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Pending
Narrative:	Member was traveling in a Ford Ranger East on a local four lane highway (55 mph) divided by a grassy median. A second vehicle going West attempted to pass traffic by entering a left turn lane to use it as a passing lane. The second vehicle lost control and skidded across the median striking the A1Cs vehicle. The Ranger flipped and caught fire. The A1C was wearing a seat belt. A passenger in the Ranger was ejected and also died at the scene.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date: 13 Aug 01, 1815 hrs

Status: Off-duty

Location: 41 Miles East of Malmstrom AFB MT

Assigned to: 341st Space Wing, Malmstrom AFB MT, AFSPC

Rank(s): A1C

Alcohol Involved?: Pending

Narrative: Member was traveling in a Dodge Neon going East on a two lane roadway. A second vehicle, a 1999 GMC Yukon coming from the opposite direction crossed the centerline. The vehicles struck head-on. The severity of the crash resulted in the A1C being ejected from the vehicle even though seat belts are believed to have been used.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date:	11 Aug 01, 0610 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Interstate 40, 40 Northeast of Pope AFB, NC
Assigned to:	43 AW, Pope AFB, NC, AMC
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Not tested
Narrative:	Saturday morning the A1C was a passenger in a PMV. The operator was traveling east on Interstate 40. The operator fell asleep at the wheel and the vehicle rolled. The passenger was ejected and suffered fatal injuries. The passenger was not wearing a seat belt. The operator was wearing a belt and was hospitalized for observation only.

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Date:	28 Jul 01, 2230 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	55 Miles North of Offutt AFB
Assigned to:	55th Dental Squadron, 55 WG, Offutt AFB, ACC
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Unknown
Narrative:	Member and his wife were passengers in a private motor vehicle operated by a non-Air Force civilian. The civilian operator crossed the centerline and struck another vehicle head-on. The member, his wife, and a third passenger all suffered fatal injuries. The operator was hospitalized. The member and his wife were not wearing seat belts.

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101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date:	25 Jul 01
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	80 Miles East of Malmstrom AFB
Assigned to:	741 SFS, 341 SW, Malmstrom AFB, AFSPC
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Test Pending
Narrative:	Member was returning to base when he may have fell asleep at the wheel and collided with a lumber truck. His automobile subsequently caught fire and he received fatal injuries. Seatbelts were used. Alcohol and vehicle speed were not factors.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date: 15 Jul 01, 0540 hrs

Status: Off-duty

Location: Off base – 7 miles North of Andrews AFB

Assigned to: 89 DS, 89 MDG, 89 AW, AMC, Andrews AFB

Rank(s): A1C

Alcohol Involved?: Test Pending

Narrative: Member was operating a 2000 Honda Civic on interstate 494 traveling South Sunday morning. She fell asleep and drifted off the right side of the highway into a road sign and concrete Jersey barrier wall. The vehicle flipped over. She sustained fatal chest injuries. Seat belt was worn.

A passenger, also military, sustained minor injuries.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
101 CRITICAL DAYS

Date:	7 Jul 01, 1330 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base – 7 miles from Mountain Home AFB
Assigned to:	391 FS, 366 WG, ACC, Mountain Home AFB
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Not tested.
Narrative:	Member was operating his 1975 F100 pick-up with two passengers, 7 miles from Mountain Home AFB. A civilian driver crossed the center turn lane and struck his vehicle head-on. The member was not wearing his seat belt and suffered fatal skull and chest injuries. The passengers, both Airman, suffered various other non-life threatening injuries.

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Date:	6 Jul 01, 0041 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base – I-64 Newport News VA
Assigned to:	82 CSS, ACC Comm GP, Langley AFB
Rank(s):	SSgt
Alcohol Involved?:	Yes, .23 BAC
Narrative:	Member entered a multilane Interstate highway traveling east in the westbound lanes in Newport News VA. Operator lost control and struck a Jersey barrier. Preliminary information indicates his BAC was .23 and a seat belt was not worn.

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Date:	3 Jul 01, 1740 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base – 32 miles from Holloman AFB
Assigned to:	49 MXS, 49 FW, ACC, Holloman AFB NM
Rank(s):	TSgt
Alcohol Involved?:	Negative
Narrative:	Member was operating his Suzuki 1100 20 miles from Holloman AFB on a two lane paved mountain road. He was traveling with two other motorcyclists of which he was in front. He approached a left hand curve and was unable to maintain control. He crashed into a guardrail. All protective equipment was worn and alcohol is not suspected.

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Date:	27 Jun 01
Status:	On-Duty
Location:	On base - Eielson AFB, AK
Assigned to:	18 FS, PACAF, Eielson AFB, AK
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Not Suspected
Narrative:	Member was participating in a clean-up detail on and around an on-base lake. The member and another airmen attempted to swim across the lake. The member floundered and went submerged. His body was recovered three hours later. The lake was approximately 100 yards across.

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Date:	24 Jun 01, 0330 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base – 4 miles NW of Great falls MT
Assigned to:	341 CES, 341 SW, AFSPC, Malmstrom AFB MT
Rank(s):	SrA
Alcohol Involved?:	Yes, BAC .14
Narrative:	Member and a non AF civilian were riding a motorcycle when for unknown reasons their motorcycle departed the roadway causing fatal head injuries to the member. Helmet was worn.

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Date:	23 Jun 01, 1730 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base – Adams Canyon, 7 miles SE of Hill AFB
Assigned to:	649 MUNS, 75 AW, AFMC, Hill AFB UT
Rank(s):	A1C
Alcohol Involved?:	Negative
Narrative:	Member was hiking with friends when he attempted to climb a rock face (without PPE) when he fell from between 80 and 100 feet.

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Date:	18 Jun 01, 0655 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base - 4 miles north of Travis AFB CA
Assigned to:	60 CES, 60 AMW, AMC, Travis AFB CA
Rank(s):	TSgt
Alcohol Involved?:	Not tested, not suspected
Narrative:	Member didn't wait for railroad crossing arms that were down. He opted to pass stopped vehicles and enter the track area. There were two trains operating on separate tracks at the time. He was struck by the second train. Seat belt was worn.

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FATALITY SUMMARY
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Date: 2 Jun 01

Status: Off-duty

Location: Off base - Interstate 10 near Mobile Alabama

Assigned to: 332 TRS, 81 TRW, Keesler AFB, MS

Rank(s): AB & A1C (Two fatals)

Alcohol Involved?: Not tested, not suspected.

Narrative: On Saturday four Airmen from technical training at Keesler AFB were involved in a vehicle mishap. Preliminary reports indicate the vehicle blew a tire and struck the guardrail and then a concrete structure. The vehicle caught fire. Two passengers escaped the vehicle. The A1C was operating the vehicle and the AB was a passenger. Seat belts were worn.

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Date: 1 Jun 01

Status: On-Duty

Location: Off base - Mountain Home AFB, ID

Assigned to: 726 ACS, 366 WG, Mountain Home AFB, ID

Rank(s): A1C

Alcohol Involved?: Negative

Narrative: Operator was under-going training certification on a 5-Ton M-Series vehicle while towing a 832 Mobilizer trailer. When he was in a left then right hand curve the trailer went off the road and the resulting loss of control ended with a rollover. Preliminary information indicates the two passengers were not wearing seat belts and were ejected. The center passenger suffered fatal injuries and the second passenger sustained a serious leg injury. The seat belted operator suffered contusions.

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Date:	27 May 01, 0140 hrs
Status:	Off-duty
Location:	Off base - McChord AFB, WA
Assigned to:	62 AGS, 62 AW, McChord AFB, WA
Rank(s):	SSgt
Alcohol Involved?:	Yes, .16 BAC
Narrative:	On Sunday the member was operating a 1981 Datsun Pickup 5 miles from base. He drifted off the road and struck a tree. Seat belts were worn.